ARCHBISHOP GLENNON TO PRONOUNCE BENEDICTION AT ST, PATRICK'S BANQUET





T. D. CANNON.

Speaker at the Irish-American Society's banquet at the Planters Hotel next Thursday night.

Final arrangements have reen completed by all the committees of the Irish-Ameri-can Society for their banquet on St. Pat-tick's night at the Planters Hotel. This will be the fifth year that these gatherings have been given, and it is herings have been given, and it is dicted that it will be the most success. The committees are preparing for a re number of guests and also expect iv ladies. The consented to be a committee of guests and also expect iv ladies. The consented to be a consented to be

Final arrangements have teen completed, to be present, and will pronounce the benediction. He will also speak on other sub-fects William H. Moore of Kansas City, who is called the "Daniel Doberty of the West," will respond to the toast, "The Day We Celebrate." Mr. Doberty is an

CUSHING KIDNAPING PART OF CATTLE-STEALING PLOT.

Texas Ranchmen Believe Organized Gang of Robbers Deliberately Planned to Draw Off Officers in Search of Abducted Mississippi Man and Others in Order to Leave the Border Unprotected Against Their Depredations.



DAN CUSHING, Kidnaped by Texas-Mexican border bandits, held for heavy ransom and finally re-leased on giving distress sign of Masonry.

Houston, Tex., March 12.-Dan Cushing ! is still suffering intensely from his thritting experience with Texas-Mexican border bandits, by whom he was kidnaged at Davil's River, and held for a heavy ransom, which was to have been left on

the steps of the Mexican rehoolhouse at Del Rio on Tuesday night, March 8. The reason the ransom was not exacted. and a circumstance to which Cushing he succeeded in the darkness of the night in communicating the distress sign of

Masonry to a member of the bandit band. Early dispatches to The Republic detalled the finding of Cushing's watch and a Masonic pin in the station-house where his capture was effected. As conjectured at the time, Cushing's first belief was that the men were bent on robbery. Instantly he tossed the valuables mentioned to one ride, where they were found the next day

by a searching party. The discarded Masonic pin was a key to the situation, which was not suspected until after Cushing was released, restored to his family, and permitted to give an

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account of the strangest adventure recorded in the annals of Texas outlawry. Cushing, as stated, was released on communicating the Masonic distress sign to one of the four bandits. The magic of that universal and yet secret language was as instantaneous as though Cushing had possessed the lamp of Alladdin of the "Arabian Nighta."

CUSHING'S THRILLING ESCAPE. Under the injunction to walk straight shead along the backbone of the mountain ridge, he proceeded, many hours, never looking back. Coming to the river

tain ridge, he proceeded, many hours, never looking back. Coming to the river he bathed and attempted to cross. Swept from his feet by the rapid current he was dashed down the stream, striking rocks and being hurled against the bowlders until finally he managed to reach the opposite bank. His hip and body were tetribity bruised, and the fiesh was mangled from his taight.

In this condition he finally gained the section-house, two miles from his water station. There his wounds were tended and a special train bore him to Del Rio. On Thursday Mr. E. B. Cushing, Mr. Gecar Reymaud and Chief Detective John Long, of the Southern Pacific Railway reached Del Rio and heard from the lips of the victim the entire story of the events that have so stirred the country. The party returned to Houston, leaving Dan Cushing, still suffering from the effects of his adventures, but not in a serious condition.

The requence of events was tinged with the romantacism of a wild west tale, such as might stimulate interest in a yellow covered novel.

CUSHING'S STORY.

Mr. Cushing arrived in Del Rio early in January in company with his wife, whose January in company with his wife, whose health is poor. For about two months he remained in Western Texas with nothing to do. Time dragged heavily on his hands and he took charge of the pumping plant at Devil's River. Thesday was his arst day of work. That night he lay down in his cabin upon a pallet spread before the open door.

After several hours he was awakened by a reasstion of coldness. Attempting to push ine door shut he discovered an obstacle. Looking up from his bed he stared straight into the muzzle of a gun in the hands of a tall man wearing a black mask.

"What's your name," inquired the bandil.

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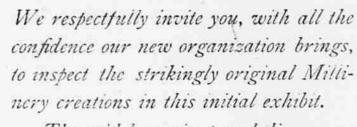
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forced to secure pen, ink and paper. Out in the moonlight upon a smooth rock the note was written as dictated by the bandit. A ransom of \$10,000 was demanded. This money, as the note read, was to be placed on the steps of the Mexican schoolhouse at Del Rio on the night of Tuesday, March & In writing the note Cushing found the opportunity to throw aside his valuables.

After the note was written, the paper was caught in the jamb of the door and the link was set back in the window. Cushing was led down to the river by his captor. There two other white men and a Mexican were in waiting with horses. The leader and the one who had captured Cushing was tall and of military bearing. He was addressed as "Captain Bob." Another of the whites was called "Mike."

LED AWAY A PRISONER. Cushing was forced to mount a horse-The man known as "Mike" took a place behind and the Mexican acted as a guide. The party rode in the river a part of the way, but emerged and proceeded in what way, but emerged and proceeded in what appeared to be a northeasterly direction. Few words were spoken, except by the leader, who seemed anxious to reach a certain place by daylight. "Mike" acted as interpreter between the leader and the guide. On a number of occasions Cushing attempted to gain permission to raise the sack over his head to free his breathing, but was always silenced with an oath. Questions as to what was to be done with him were answered in a similar manner.

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Near morning Cushing was addressed by the bandit known as "Mike." In answer he gave the sign of a "Mason" in distress. The outlaw at once dismounted and conferred with the man known as "Captain Bob." Scon they returned. Cushing was ordered to dismount. He was told that he could go free, but was enjoined upon penalty of his life not to look back. The way was described to him, and the sack was lifted from his head.

Without further parley, Cushing started. He was stiff and chafed from his long ride. Neverthelers, he proceeded ahead vigorously, never looking back, until close to noon. In the afternoon he came to a canon. Across it he thought he could see a water tank. Descending into the guich, he climbed up the other side, but the tank was nowhere to be found.

LOST IN THE WILDS.

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tank, he attempted to retrace his steps, but to no avail. He was lost.

Removing his clothes he bathed in the stream.

The cool water so relieved him that he decided to wade across. With his clothing done up in a roll he started across. The current was swift. About half-way across he stepped on a stone and lost his balance. Caught in the rapidly-flowing water he was dashed down stream and hurled against a number of rocks and boulders.

Finally he rained his feet and struggled fainting to the opposite bank. The fiesh upon his thigh was almost form from the hone and his entire body was covered with brutses. He had retained his grasp on his clathing, but the various articles were saturated with water. Dressing, nevertheless, he proceeded on his way, weak, exhausted and suffering terribly.

IN A SAD PLIGHT. The country is as wild as any to be found in the United States. Canons seam the hills and the dry rocks furnish no sustenance to verdure or brushes. The inhabitants are far separated and few. Alone in an unknown country, injured, weak and undergoing great agony. Cushing proceeded without end or motive, and the hope of finding help. Night came on and, as far as he knew, he was no nearer human habitation than before.

Continuing his aimless walk, he finally saw a light a long way off. Making his way towards it he finally gained the section-house, from the window of which the light streamed, and found himself two miles distant from the water station at which he had been kidnapped forty-eight hours before. After receiving attention the suffering man was conveyed to Del Rio, fourteen miles away.

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ENTIRE COUNTRY AROUSED. The absence of Cushing had been discovered by the conductor of a train passing the water tank the morning after the kidnapping. The note was read in which a ransom of \$10,000 was demanded. The officers had at once been notified and the Gowernor made conversant with conditions. The entire country was aroused. Bands of mounted men rode out into the hills and galloped over the region. They were still out when Cushing returned. At the water tank conditions were found to be exactly as the victim of the bandits described them. When the rescue party from Houston reached the scene it was discovered that further depredations by bandits had been reported. A ranchman had been taken from his house in the dead of night and a fence rider named Billings had been carried away in a manner calcuiated to add to the general excitement. On Friday Billings had returned. He is said to have tracked the brigands past four camping places, and to have seen five men riding through the country and finally to have fallen into their hands. The details of his escape were thrilling.

CATTLE THIEVES ACTIVE. The absence of Cushing had been dis-

CATTLE THIEVES ACTIVE. Now reports of wholesale thefts of cattle are pouring in from about Langtry,

Thousands of head have been rushed across the Rio Grande and West Texas is aroused thoroughly by the depredations along the border. It is believed that a large and thoroughly organized band of men is working along the border and that a plot has been consummated that is wide and daring in its scope.

As generally believed, a part of the band were detailed to excite the country about Del Rio with the kidnapping of a number of well-known parties. Whatever could be realized upon these operations was to be secured, but the main end of the plot was to draw the officers and inhabitants of that section of the State to the country about Del Rio, while the larger portion of the band operated about Langtry, capturing beeves and sweeping the land free of herds. Across the border they would be safe.

To-day there is warfare in West Texas. Cattle owners and cowboys are out in force, searching for the brigands, who have been terrorizing the country. The outlaws are being followed, and if found a battle may ensue.

It is believed that the brigands are commanded by a renegade ex-army officer, who has collected the desperadoes of the border and engaged in a raid such as has never before been attempted in a country supposed to be civilized.

UNITED STATES COMMERCE GROWS IN COLOMBIA.

Feeling Against Country for Recognizing Panama Does Not Interfere With Trade Reintions.

Washington, March 12.-Despite the feeling against the United States in Colombia, American commerce with that country is growing. In a report rendered to the State Department, Consul General Snyder at Bogota has this to say about cotton

trade, such as cotton goods of ordinary quality, linen shirtings, white calico and gingham, shawis, mourning goods, etc., is still in the hands of European houses. principally England, there can be no doubt of the steady gain of American goods of this character and especially gray drillings and colored prints. An Englishman

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"This rounds peculiar to any one having a knowledge of Colombian taste, as it is well known that in these matters their taste is largely governed by the pocketbook and if Americans can make an article apparently as good as another for less money that article is going to meet the Colombian taste."

Elbow Blow Affected His Speech.

EBOW BIOW ARCTER IN SPECIAL.

Newark, N. J., March 12—While playing basket ball at St. James's Hall Edward Blewitt, 19 years old, was struck by an opponent's elbow and knocked unconscious. He was taken home and when he recovered his senses it was found that he was unable to speak above a whisper.

MARRIED ON SKYSCRAPER. J. J. Hanna and Illinois Heiress

Have Romantic Wedding.

New Orleans, La., March 12.-Doctor J. J. Hanna of Victoria, a cousin of the late Senator Hanna, with Miss Georgia Houser, an helress of Lincoln, Ill., met in New Orleans unexpectedly after a long acquaintance, and while walking agreed to get married.

They stood in front of the Hibernia Bank building, fourteen stories high, and the bride-to-be suggested that the ceremony be performed on the roof of the new bank building. The preacher was sent for and they were made one, 719 feet above the sidewalk.



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